

Table 2. Number of U.S. Commercial Buildings by Census Region and Principal Building Activity, 1992-1999 (thousand)

<u>Principal Building Activity</u> and Census Region	Survey Years		
	1992 ¹	1995	1999
U.S. Total	4,672	4,579	4,657
Education	296	309	327
Food Sales	130	137	174
Food Service	258	285	349
Health Care	62	105	127
Lodging	154	158	153
Mercantile and Service	1,261	1,289	1,145
Office	711	705	739
Public Assembly	278	326	305
Public Order and Safety	58	87	72
Religious Worship	366	269	307
Warehouse and Storage	722	580	603
Other ²	67	67	102
Vacant	308	261	253
Total Northeast	751	725	686
Education	36	39	31
Food Sales	<u>Q</u>	Q	Q

Food Service	54	41	Q
Health Care	11	14	14
Lodging	31	10	13
Mercantile and Service	245	241	190
Office	124	112	102
Public Assembly	40	46	43
Public Order and Safety	16	39	31
Religious Worship	30	41	38
Warehouse and Storage	102	88	84
Other	15	Q	Q
Vacant	36	26	33
Total Midwest	1,165	1,139	1,188
Education	46	42	42
Food Sales	29	Q	Q
Food Service	73	69	95
Health Care	14	19	33
Lodging	26	38	27
Mercantile and Service	327	390	322
Office	159	157	172
Public Assembly	76	89	88
Public Order and Safety	Q	21	13
Religious Worship	86	57	74
Warehouse and Storage	224	163	192
Other	18	16	10
Vacant	75	65	91
Total South	1,910	1,750	1,762
Education	109	111	121

Food Sales	57	73	76
Food Service	83	109	124
Health Care	15	51	59
Lodging	56	51	54
Mercantile and Service	503	457	455
Office	284	298	315
Public Assembly	120	134	126
Public Order and Safety	23	17	17
Religious Worship	194	97	101
Warehouse and Storage	297	223	215
Other	20	21	39
Vacant	150	106	61
Total West	846	964	1,021
Education	104	117	134
Food Sales	32	32	29
Food Service	48	66	89
Health Care	23	21	21
Lodging	41	59	59
Mercantile and Service	186	201	179
Office	144	138	150
Public Assembly	43	57	48
Public Order and Safety	Q	Q	Q
Religious Worship	56	74	93
Warehouse and Storage	100	105	113
Other	14	Q	29
Vacant	48	65	68

¹ Estimates adjusted to match the 1995 and 1999 CBECS definition of target population. More information available online: <http://www.eia.doe.gov/emeu/cbecs/comparesampdesign.htm>

² Laboratory buildings are included in the "Other" category.

Q = Data withheld because the Relative Standard Error was greater than 50 percent or fewer than 20 buildings were sampled.

Sources: Energy Information Administration, Commercial Buildings Energy Consumption Surveys, 1992, 1995, and 1999.



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